



# COVID-19 Technology Response System

## Weekly Update

January 29, 2021

Welcome to the Weekly Update for the COVID-19 Technology Response System.

The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) offers a comprehensive and interoperable suite of software to empower public health agencies and give them all the tools they need to respond to COVID-19.

Each week we will provide information about new features, resources, upcoming releases, and other important information about the three tools that make up the Technology Response System: Electronic COVID-19 Case Reporting, EpiTrax and MO ACTS.

Check out the intranet sites here:

- [Electronic COVID-19 Case Reporting](#)
- [EpiTrax](#)
- [MO ACTS](#)

### Question of the Week:

**What should I do in EpiTrax if I see another positive lab for a morbidity event? Is this a reinfection and how should it be noted?**

Current guidelines for designation of a second unique infection of COVID19 must occur **90 days** after the first infection, though this could change in the future. Current protocols for documenting these re-infections are as follows:

**90 days or less:** Update the CMR as if there is no difference between the two infections.

**Greater than 90 days:** Add the form "COVID-19 Recurrent Presentation" within the *Investigation* tab of a CMR. This form should be used to record information pertaining to the **second** infection. This allows information from both infections to be recorded in EpiTrax.

To add this form, click "Manage" within the Investigation tab, then click "Add next" to the 'COVID-19 Recurrent Presentation' form.

Once the Recurrent Presentation form is added to the CMR, you can select which instance of infection you wish to access by selecting the appropriate form on the left side of the Investigation tab. For the first instance, select the 2019-nCoV form. For the second, select the Recurrent Presentation form.

## COVID 19 Technology Seminar February Topics:

Join us to learn more about specific topics related to EpiTrax and MOACTS functionality and processes. In February, we will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 1:00. You can find login information for each of these seminars on the Training Calendar found on the intranet sites.

Upcoming topics:

February 10- Missouri Disease Reporting Online Portal (MODROP) overview  
February 24- Positive Patient Self-Monitoring demonstration

The link to previous seminar recordings and Powerpoint presentations can be found on the EpiTrax and MO ACTS websites under "Quick Reference and Information Seminar Guides".

January 7 – COVID 19 death certification – Recording/Slides available  
January 14 – Using the Events Tab in EpiTrax – Recording/Slides available

## Positive Patient Monitoring

As previewed last week, it is anticipated that the positive patient monitoring feature will launch in mid-February. This enhancement includes the infrastructure that will allow patients with a positive COVID-19 lab to complete independent mobile symptom monitoring. If you anticipate using this feature, please reach out to [epitrax@health.mo.gov](mailto:epitrax@health.mo.gov) so that we can get you onboarded to MO ACTS ahead of this feature going live.

## Vaccine Questions

If you or someone in your jurisdictions have vaccine related questions, the first place to look is the Website <https://covidvaccine.mo.gov/>. This website contains information for citizens, providers and Public Health Personnel. There is also a map of vaccinator locations and a description of what level/tier of residents are currently eligible to receive the vaccine.

If there are specific questions not answered on the website you can contact:

- **DHSS Covid Vaccine [CovidVaccine@health.mo.gov](mailto:CovidVaccine@health.mo.gov)**  
Questions regarding COVID-19 that are not related to becoming a COVID-19 Vaccination Provider
- **DHSS COVID-19 Provider Enrollments [c19vaxenroll@health.mo.gov](mailto:c19vaxenroll@health.mo.gov)**  
Questions regarding becoming a COVID-19 Vaccination Provider and questions or issues with completing the enrollment.